1. is the Cochin Teachers' Association a private body or a body recognised by the Government;

2. will the Government be pleased to state what their functions are;

3. are they competent to pass resolutions condemning the action of Government,

4. are they permitted to discuss political questions;

5. are Government aware that they had tabled for discussion resolutions relating to Khaddar, National dress, etc.;

6. are Government aware that in British India teachers are strictly prohibited from discussing political questions at their meetings?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—A body recognised by Government.

2. To organise a social unit of all the men and women teachers in Sirkar and recognised institutions in the State, so that they may work together to improve their status, to ameliorate their economic condition, to develop their physical and psychical resources and to apply these to help in the evolution of a nobler and broader state.

3. No.

4. No.

5. Yes.

6. Government have not ascertained the matter.

Comparative services of certain officers.

296. Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state by (a) how many years, months and days Messrs. C. Ramankutti Menon, B. A. and M. Kunjan Menon, B. A., Tahsildars of Cochin-Kanayannur and Mukundapuram respectively were senior to Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar, B. A., on the date of Mr. Sesha Ayyar's appointment as Assistant Secretary to the Diwan;

(b) what the permanent pay of these three officers was on 1st Mithunam 1105 and 1st Chingam 1106;

(c) whether these three officers have worked in the Huzur Office; if the reply is in the affirmative, how long and in what capacities;

(d) whether Mr. Sesha Ayyar has, at any time, worked as a clerk in the Huzur Office in a branch or department when the Head clerk of the same was the above said Mr. Ramankutti Menon;

(e) what office Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar was holding in the Huzur Office when the said Mr. C. Ramankutti Menon was the Chief Superintendent there;

(f) whether the said two Nayar officers were at any time found incompetent in the discharge of their duties;

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(g) for what reasons the retired Diwan recommended the promotion over the heads of the said two officers of Mr. T. S Sesha Ayyar as Assistant Secretary to the Diwan?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Mr. C. Ramankutti Menon was senior by 4 years, 6 months and 28 days while Mr. M. Kunjan Menon by 3 years 6 months and 17 days.

		Pay on 1—11—1105.	Pay on 1—1—1106.
(b) Mr. M. Kunjan Menon	Rs.	170	170
Mr. C. Ramankutty Menon	Rs.	180	180
Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar	Rs.	250	250

(c) Yes; a statement containing the information called for is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

(d) No.

(e) 2nd clerk, Separate Revenue, from 20th Mithunam 1094 to 31st Karkadagam 1094 and Head clerk, Judicial Department from 1st Chingam 1095 to 29th Thulam 1095. (But he was officiating as Manager, Office of the Director of Public Instruction, during the period.)

(f) No.

(g) For the reason he was considered the fittest person for the place.

Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—May I know the permanent pay immediately before his appointment?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The permanent pay was somewhere about Rs. 170. I do not remember exactly.

Tank in Pullazhi Village.

297. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what is the present condition of the tank dug by the Panchayat Department in 1103 in Survey No. 445 of the Pullazhi village;

(b) how long is it that one of its side gave way;

(c) has there not been representations to the Government to repair the said tank and what has been done with those representations;

(d) what has been done with their prayer for giving them a way leading to this tank?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) A portion of the side walls of the tank has slipped down into the tank due to sub-soil giving way.

(b) A portion of the retaining wall gave way in 1103.

(c) Yes; the representations have been enquired into and it was found that the tank required some attention.

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APPENDIX IV.

(Vide answer to question No. 296.)

Name	*Period.*			*Post held during the period.*
M. M. Kunjan Menon	15— 9—82	to	18— 8—83	Clerk
	10—11—83	to	31—12—83	Head clerk
	1— 1—84	to	23— 4—84	Clerk
	5— 8—85	to	13— 3—86	Head clerk
	2— 4—86	to	4— 3—88	do
	4— 8—88	to	15— 9—88	do
	8— 4—90	to	4— 7—90	do
	10— 1—91	to	18— 3—91	do
	20— 6—91	to	14— 2—92	do
	12— 5—92	to	8—11—92	do
	7— 7—94	to	26— 8—94	do
	19—10—94	to	31—10—94	do
	15— 3—95	to	29— 3—95	Chief Superintendent
	1— 4—95	to	28— 8—95	Head clerk
	29— 8—95	to	31— 9—95	Chief Superintendent
	1—10—95	to	30— 8—96	Head clerk
	8— 1—99	to	14— 1—99	do
Mr. C. Ramankutti Menon	17— 7—75	to	21— 7—76	Clerk
	20— 7—84	to	31— 1—85	Head clerk
	20— 1—94	to	29— 3—95	Chief Superintendent
Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar	15— 2—80	to	30— 6—84	Clerk
	1— 7—84	to	30— 3—85	Head clerk
	1— 4—85	to	19— 1—87	Clerk
	20— 4—87	to	30— 6—87	Head clerk
	1— 7—87	to	3— 8—88	Clerk
	4— 8—88	to	17— 9—92	Head clerk
	18— 9—92	to	17—10—92	Chief Superintendent
	18—10—92	to	4— 1—93	Head clerk
	5— 3—102	to	7— 6—102	Chief Superintendent
	21— 7—102	to	20— 8—102	do
	23—10—102	to	24—11—102	Secretary to the Diwan
	10— 1—103	to	7— 2—103	Chief Superintendent
	9— 4—103	to	24— 7—103	do
	19— 9—103	to	32—10—105	Special Officer in connection with the Special Finance Committee Report
	1—11—105			Assistant Secretary

APPENDIX V.

(Vide answer to question No. 307.)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIWAN OF COCHIN.

Development Department.

Read petition dated 17th Edavam 1105 from the residents of the Pazhanji bazaar regarding the repairs to the Puthenkulam.

(2) Letter C. 4375/1105, dated 14th December 1930, from the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats.

Order Dis. 1635/D/06, dated 27th December 1930.

The work should be executed this summar. Additional funds if required may be provided in 1107 budget.

2. The petitioners are referred to the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats for orders.

(True extract)

(Sd.)
Secretary to the Diwan

To

The Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats.
The Petitioners (para 2 only).

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